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for the year ending

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Newton, New Jersey, October 17, 1843

The Synod of New Jersey met pursuant to adjournment and was opened with a sermon by the Rev. John Gray, the Moderator, from the first clause of the 36 verse of the 20 chapter of Luke.

After public worship the Synod was constituted by prayer.

Present

From the Presbytery of Elizabeth Town

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
Rev. Williamson		Mt. Freedom
Hunt	Kern Pruden	2nd Ch. Elizabeth Town
Ogden		
Murray, D.D.	Abn. Budd	Chester
J. Cory		Mt. Olive
B. Cory		Woodbridge
		2nd Ch. Woodbridge
Imbrie		Plainfield
	Samuel Miller	Lamington
		1st. Ch. Morristown
	Israel Day	Chatham Village
		Chatham
		Westfield
		1st. Ch. Elizabeth Town
		2nd Ch. Morristown
		New Providence
		Baskingridge
		Liberty Corner
		Springfield
		New Vernon
		Perth Amboy
	John C. Lum	Connect. Farms
		1st. Ch. Paterson
	John Crowell	Rahway

Presbytery of New Brunswick

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
Rev. Comfort		Kingston
Rice, D.D.		Trenton 1st. Ch.
Rodgers	John V. Talmage	Princeton
McLean, D.D.		Middletown Pt.
D.V. McLean		1st. Cranbury
Van Doren	Caleb C. Brokaw	Boundbrook
		Allentown
Mahon	Geo. W. Bunn r	South Trenton
Hale		Village Ch. Freehold
Morrell		2nd Cranbury
	Abn. Amnison	Freehold
	Lewis W.R. Phillips	Lawrence
		Pennington
	Sam Baker	New Brunswick
		Nottingham
		Dutch Neck
		2nd Ch. Upper Free.
		Trenton City
		Shrewsbury

Presbytery of Newton

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
Rev. Force	Benj. H lsey	Newton
Shafer, D.D.	Phineas Barber	Mansfield
Castner		Knowlton
Longmore		Clairstown
Gray		
Yeomans, D.D.	Enoch Green	Easton
Nasson		Stroudsburgh
Johnston		Smithfield
Junkin		Selvidere
Lewis		Tamaqua
Irwin	Peter Sharps	Greenwich
J. Morrill	Geo. Neighbor	German Valley
Condict	Jos. Mag	Fox Hill
Carroll	Chr. Van Nortwick	Musconetong Valley
Tully		Allen Township
Magee		Danville
	Joseph Huff	Stillwater 1st.
		Stillwater 2nd.
	Wm. Osmon	Hackettstown
	Peter Winton	Harmony

Presbytery of Newton (cont)

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
	John Crate	Lower Mt. Bethel Hardwick Marksborough Scott's Mountain Oxford
	Solomon F. Wycoff	Upper Mt. Bethel

Presbytery of Raritan

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
Rev. Kirkpatrick,	D.D. John Kuhl	Amwell Ist. Solsbury
Studdiford	Deal Gray	
Huntt, Jr.		
	Robt. C. Stuns	Pleasant Grov
Olmstead	Danl. Marsh	Flemington
Hall		
Williams	John Medlar	Millford
Sherwood		

Presbytery of Susquehanna

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
Rev. J. Foster		

Presbytery of West Jersey

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
Rev. Lawrence		
Jones		
Davidson		
Helme		
Colb		

Presbytery of Luzerne

<u>Ministers</u>	<u>Elders</u>	<u>Churches</u>
Rev. Webster		

Rev. D.F. McLean was chosen Moderator and Messrs. Rodgers and Imbrie was chosen Clerks.

The Minutes of the last meeting of Synod were read. The members who were absent at that meeting and now present were called upon and gave satisfactory reasons for their absence from the Synod at its last meeting.

The committee appointed to arrange the exercises for the Missionary meeting to be held the first evening made the following report which was adopted viz., (A).

Rev. John A. Morrison of Synod of North India, Rev. C.J. Warren of Vinham, Association of Connecticut, Rev. Sylvester Eaton of Synod of New York being present were invited to sit as corresponding members.

Synod took a recess until 7 o'clock.

After recess Synod met and spent a session in Religious Exercises, with a special reference to the cause of Foreign Missions agreeably to the arrangements of the committee.

Resolved, that the order of the day for tomorrow morning immediately after the reading of Minutes to attend to the Presbyterial Reports.

Synod adjourned to tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock- concluded with prayer.

Wednesday Morning 9 O'clock

Synod met and was opened with prayer present as before together with Messrs. Helm from Presbytery of West Jersey and J. V. Alexander from the Presbytery of New Brunswick who gave satisfactory reasons for not appearing sooner.

The Minutes of the last session of Synod were read.

Rev. Messrs. Helme and Colb from Presbytery of West Jersey came etc.

Satisfactory reasons were assigned for the absence from this meeting of Synod of Rev. Dr. Magie and Messrs. Dumont, Cochran and Chester of the Presbytery of Elizabeth Town, Rev. Dr. Carnahan and Mr. Cooley of Presbytery of New Brunswick.

The Statistical Reports from the several Presbyteries composing this Synod were presented and accepted and are as follows, viz., (see reports).

The Rev. Drs. Janeway, Davison and Messrs. Derville and Schenck of Presbytery of New Brunswick- Messrs. Mack, Vermilye, McWilliam, Townley, Lowrie, Davison of Presbytery of Newton took their seats as members of Synod.

Appointed committees (see paper B).

Committee of Overtures and Judicial committee meet in recess of Synod this morning and afterward on their own adjournment.

Mr. Wm. B. Johnston, Elder 2nd Church Morristown appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for not attending sooner.

Written Reports of the State of Religion within the bounds of the several Pre byteries having been handed in, Mr. Kirkpatrick and Messrs. Castner and Ogden were appointed a committee to examine the same and draft a narrative.

Resolved, that hereafter the reading of the Statistical Reports from the Presbyteries be first business attended to after opening of the Synod.

Resolved, that the next stated meeting of Synod be held at New Brunswick, New Jersey on the 3rd Tuesday of October 1844 at 3 o'clock p.m. and that Rev. Drs. Davison and Janeway, Ministers and Mr. Baker, Elder be a committee to arrange the Religious Exercises of Synod.

Committee appointed to make arrangement for the Religious Exercises this evening made the following report which was adopted viz., (C).

Ordered that the Stated Clerk be required to sign and forward the Statistical Report of the Synod to the Stated Clerk of General Assembly.

Rev. Mr. Hand of the Presbytery of Luzerne appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for not appearing sooner.

It was stated to Synod, that there would be no necessity for taking up a collection for incidental expenses- there being sufficient funds to meet all the expenses of Synod.

Mr. Murray, Dr. Yeomans, Mr. Williamson, Mr. Studdiford, Mr. Foster, Colo, Mr. Webster, Budd, Baker, Van Nortwick, Gray, J. Maclean - (Supernanuary).

Committee appointed to examine the Treasurer's Account reported that they had examined the accounts and find them correct and that there is a balance in the hands of the Treasurer of \$29.86. The report was adopted.

Resolved, that a committee of one Minister and one Elder be appointed to consider the expediency of a change in the time of the annual meeting of Synod.

Mr. Jacob Landerman from Church in Blairville appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for not appearing sooner.

The members of Synod were called upon with reference to the action of the churches in relation to collections for Foreign Missions when it appeared that the injunction of the Synod had been generally attended to.

Synod had a recess until 2:30 o'clock.

Mr. A. R. Ammerman an Elder from the Church of Freehold of the Presbytery came etc.

Committee on Raritan Records approved to page 95.

Committee on Luzerne Records approved to page 9.

Assembly Minutes Committee reported.

The only article requiring attention of Synod was that on page 1 in relation to Depositories of the Board of Publication-- which was put on the docket.

Committee on expediency of making change in meeting of Synod reported that in view of committee it is inexpedient to make any change this year. Report was accepted and adopted.

Mr. M. C. Morris from Church in Belvidere appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for not appearing sooner.

The committee on Bills and Overtures reported an overture from the Presbytery of Luzerne being a request from said Presbytery to transfer the congregations of Northmoreland and Falls from the Presbytery of Susquehanna to the Presbytery of Luzerne which overture was taken up and read and is as follows (see Overture).

Whereupon it was Resolved, that the request of the Presbytery of Luzerne be granted and that the congregations of Northmoreland and Falls be and they hereby are transferred from the Presbytery of Susquehanna to the Presbytery of Luzerne.

The Rev. Mr. Morrison from the Synod of North India, then addressed the Synod on the subject of Foreign Missions-- Whereupon, Resolved, that Messrs. Derville, Junkin, Studdiford, Lawrence, Williamson (Mrs. Janeway and Murray) be appointed to consider the whole subject and report thereupon to the Synod.

The committee appointed to draft the Narrative of the State of Religion within the bounds of the Synod, made the following report which was amended and adopted and was ordered to be read this evening.

Dr. Murray made a statement respecting the funds of the Theological Seminary at Princeton, whereupon it was Resolved, that it be earnestly recommended to all the Churches under the control of this Synod to take up a collection in aid of the funds of the Seminary for the payment of the Professor's salaries and forward to the Treasurer of Synod as soon as possible.

Rev. Orlando L. Kirkland of the Presbytery of Elizabeth Town appeared in Synod and gave satisfactory reasons for not appearing sooner.

The subject of Education and of Domestic Missions were referred to the committee on Foreign Missions who were ordered to report to the Synod on all the subjects.

Synod took a recess until 7 o'clock.

After recess the Synod met and spent a season in Religious Exercises agreeably to the report from the committee.

Committee on absence reported that they had given leave of absence to Messrs. Williams, Oden, Stephens, Sherwood, Medlar, Imbrie, Crowell and Talma &c.

Committee on the Records of West Jersey reported that they be approved to page 130 with the following exceptions, viz., that no record has been made of the testimony in the case recorded on page 98.

Committee of the Records of the Presbytery of New Brunswick reported that they be approved to page 308.

Committee on Records of Presbytery of Susquehanna be approved to page 271.

Committee on Newton Presbytery be approved to page 418.

Committee on Elizabeth Town be approved to 194.

Synod adjourned to tomorrow morning at 9 o'clock.

Thursday Morning 9 O'clock

Synod met pursuant to adjournment and was opened with prayer- present as before.

The Minutes of the last session of Synod were read.

Committee on leave of absence reported that they had given leave of absence to Rev. Mr. Davison and Jos. Magie, Elder and Crute.

Murray, Moderator of Synod and Chairman of committee, John Hall, Gray, Dr. J. Alexander, Dr. Janeway, Collock, Enoch Green, Robt. G. Johnston, Stacy S. Potts, Fern Pruden, Alex Ogilvie, G. Hollison, 3 a quorum (Resolutions with respect to the Free Presbyterian Church of Scotland.)

Ordered that the Stated Clerk forward to the Association sent from the Free Church of Scotland a certified copy of the foregoing resolutions.

Committee to whom was referred the subject of Foreign and Domestic Mission, Education and the support of the Theological Seminary made the following report which was amended, adopted and is as follows (Report).

Stated Clerk forward copies to Stated Clerk of Presbytery an attested copy of the report and publish in the New York Observer and Presbyterian.

Stated Clerk to subscribe for a copy of the Minutes of General Assembly.

Stated Clerk get a copy of the published Minutes.

The Treasurer be directed to pay the Janitor's bill amounting to \$4.00.

Resolved, that the thanks of this Synod be tendered to the citizens of Newton and to vicinity for their kindness and hospitality to the members of Synod during their sessions.

Resolved, that the Stated Clerk with Mrs. Murray and Magie be a committee to publish in the New York Observer and Presbyterian such parts of the Minutes as they may think proper.

Synod had a recess until 1 o'clock.

At the close of the recess, Synod met, spent a season in religious exercises.

Synod then adjourned to meet etc. at New Brunswick on the 3rd Tuesday of October 1844- at 3 o'clock p.m. Concluded with prayer.

A P P E N D I X

1. RESOLUTIONS AND IMPORTANT ACTIONS.
2. NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION.
3. PRESBYTERIAL STATISTICAL REPORTS.

1843

No. 1 The following preamble and resolutions were unanimously adopted.

Whereas the Presbyterian Church of America have derived their origin and their principles in a great degree from those of Scotland, and whereas during the present year the most important and awakening events have taken place in the history of Scottish Presbyterianism. Therefore.

1. Resolved. That this Synod regard with unfeigned sympathy the recent dispensations of Providence in respect to the church of Scotland.

2. Resolved. That in the late act, by which hundreds of ministers and thousands of communicating members have rejected the yoke and sacrificed the emoluments of the existing establishment, we regard them as abandoning every worldly interest for the sake of maintaining the headship of Christ over his church, and the independence of Ecclesiastical polity, and accordingly that we have them as acceding to the great principles for which American Presbyterians have contended.

3. Resolved. That in ~~view~~ view of the position taken by our brethren abroad, we do unhesitatingly commend the Free church of Scotland to the sympathy and the prayers of all our churches.

4. Resolved. That if application, as is expected, should be made to our churches for pecuniary contributions to relieve the extraordinary necessities of the Free Church in the mother country, it is the judgment of this Synod that the object is in all respects worthy of being commended to the generosity of our people.

5. Resolved. That a committee be appointed of which the moderator of the Synod shall be the chairman, in case a delegation should be sent from the Free Church of Scotland to confer with them and to strive to make arrangements for public meetings to be held at different places within the bounds of this Synod in furtherance of their objects, and to aid in making application to the churches for pecuniary contributions.

Ordered. That the committee consist of the following persons, Rev. Daniel V. Mc Lean, Moderator of the Synod, Chairman, Rev. Drs. Archibald Alexander, Janeway Murray, and the Rev. Messrs. John Hall, Gray and Kollock, Ministers, and Messrs. Johnston, Potts, Pruden, Enoch Green Ogelvie and Colleson, Elders, any three of whom, may be a quorum for the transaction of business.

Ordered. That the Stated Clerk forward to the delegation sent from the Free Church of Scotland, an attested copy of the foregoing resolutions.

No.2 Whereas these are four most important objects that claim the contributions of our churches, viz: Foreign Missions-- Domestic Missions--the Education of pious and indigent youth for the gospel ministry and the Support of the Theological Professors, and whereas it should be regarded as the duty of and privilege of every member of our churches, and of every member of our congregations to contribute to these most important objects as God has prospered them. Therefore,

1. Resolved. That a plan ought to be adopted by every session that will bring these great objects distinctly and separately to the mind and conscience of each individual in our congregations.

2. Resolved. That it be recommended to the session of deacons of each church, except in churches in which efficient plans are already in operation to prepare a Book, with four columns headed with these several objects in which each individual may insert his name and the amount he is willing to contribute to each object at four different times in each year.

3. Resolved. That this book be carried through the congregation by the members of the session or deacons, together with those members of the congregations, male and female, whom they may associate with themselves for the purpose of receiving subscriptions.

4. Resolved. That four distinct times in the year be set apart for receiving the several subscriptions, viz: the first quarter of the year beginning with January to be appropriated to the obtaining subscriptions for Foreign Missions, that the Second quarter of the year beginning with April be appropriated to Domestic Missions, that the third quarter, beginning with July be appropriated to the Education cause, and that the fourth quarter beginning with October be appropriated to collecting contributions for the support of our Theological Professors.

5. Resolved. That while the session and others are obtaining subscriptions in this book, they also endeavor to obtain subscribers to the Missionary Chronicle or the paper entitled the Foreign Missionary.

6.. Resolved. That in order to create and preserve an active and uniform disposition in our congregations to sustain these great and benevolent objects, it be recommended to all our ministers frequently in their discourses to call the attention of their people to the duty and privilege of uniting their alms with their prayers to God for the spread of the gospel among the destitute at home, and for the conversion of the world.

7. Resolved. That it be enjoined on all our Presbyteries to adopt such measures as may be necessary for carrying the above plan or some other, which in the judgment of the Presbytery will be equally or more efficient into successful operation in all their Congregations--in those that are vacant, as well as in those that are supplied with pastors.

NARRATIVE OF THE STATE OF RELIGION
1843

The Synod of New Jersey in presenting to the churches under their watch and care a brief statement of facts, connected with the dispensations of Providence towards them during the past year, and with the present religious state of the churches, feel that they have special reason for rejoicing, and thanksgiving to the Great Head of the church. In their reports the Presbyteries speak of special seasons of revival enjoyed by them in the past year, such as they seldom have had the privilege of recording. The Synod would gratefully record the fact, to the honor of Sovereign grace that large numbers have been added to the churches.

The Presbytery of Elizabethtown state the number of additions to their churches within their bounds to be between Seven and Eight Hundred.

The Presbytery of New Brunswick state the number of additions to their churches to be about Five Hundred.

Other Presbyteries although they do not specify numbers received, speak of special visitations to the churches of the spirit of all Grace, and of large accessions, so that we may say, The hand of the Lord has been with us, and many have been added to the church of such as we hope shall be saved with an everlasting salvation.

The statements of the Presbyteries confirm us in the belief of the fact that the regular and stated preaching of the gospel is the means which God especially blesses for the conversion of souls.

From the reports of the Presbyteries, it appears that a number of our churches are at the present time enjoying special seasons of revival.

The attention of the churches has been specially directed to the subject of catechetical instruction—to Bible classes, and Sabbath Schools, and the good results of early attention to the instructions of the seed of the church, has been increasingly manifest in the past year.

Upon this subject the Synod would say to the churches. Go-on-Gather in the children of the whole community with the children of the church unto the Sabbath School, and teach them the doctrine of the gospel. From the reports of the Presbyteries, it appears that the cause of Temperance is on the advance—and the Synod feel the pleasing hope, that although opposition in some places is open and even violent the great principles of the temperance reform are operating upon public opinion, so as eventually to produce an entire revolution upon that subject.

The Synod are happy to learn from the reports made to them that the colleges of Nassau Hall and La Fayette, located within their bounds are both in a flourishing condition. With regard to the former, the report says, that the temperance society numbers One hundred members, that the number of Professors of religion in the Institution is between forty and fifty, that they hold two stated prayer meetings on the Sabbath, besides a daily prayer meeting, and it is added that a few of the members of the college are serious enquirers. With regard to the latter, the report informs us that a large proportion of the students are professors of religion, many of them are candidates for the gospel ministry.

The Theological Seminary at Princeton is in its usually satisfactory condition. The missionary spirit is on the increase, and six or eight of the students have foreign missions in view. The Synod would record it with feelings of hope, and trembling that the spirit of missions is in some measure waking up in the hearts of the people, and would say to the churches, Dear Brethren, Remember the Heathen—pray for them and while you pary, withhold not the means of sending them the gospel.

The Synod have to record with deep feeling the death of one of their number—the Rev. Samuel Davies Blythe, the devoted pastor of the church of Woodbury, in the Presbytery of West Jersey, but would give thanks to God, that he has spared so many of us still in the field of labor.

In conclusion the Synod would rejoice, and give praise to the Head of the church for the pleasing and encouraging intelligence that has reached them from the Presbyteries, and would unite their hearts in prayer for the continuance of the smiles of Heaven upon that part of zion which is committed to their care.

PRESBYTERIAL
STATISTICAL REPORTS
1843

1. The Presbytery of Elizabethtown report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 25 Ministers, and have under their care 12 Churches, 5 Licentiates, and 3 Candidates.

The Presbytery further report that on the 15th of February 1843, they dismissed Mr. Benjamin W. Williams a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Louisiana-that on the 19th of April, they dismissed the Rev. Richard W. Badeau to join the Presbytery of Sidney, and on the same day licensed Mr. Frederick T. Williams to preach the gospel-that on the 30th of May, they received Mr. John W. Pownley a licentiate from the Presbytery of Erie, and on the same day dismissed him to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Newton-that on the 1st of September, they dissolved the pastoral relation of the Rev. John C. Part to the church of Springfield-that on the 4th of October they dismissed the Rev. Clifford S. Arms to the Church of Chatham from their roll-said church having withdrawn from our ecclesiastical connection.

All which is respectfully submitted.
By order of Presbytery.
JAMES M. WENTING, Stated Clerk.

2. The Presbytery of New Brunswick report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 37 Ministers, and have under their care 20 Churches, 11 Licentiates, and 4 Candidates.

The Presbytery further report that on the 1th day of October 1842, they received the Rev. Jacob J. Janeway D. D. from the 2nd Presbytery of New York, and on the same day withdrew from Mr. John F. Hunt, at his own request his license to preach the gospel-that on the 15th of November they re-organized the church of Bloomsbury, and changed the name of that church to that of the 1st Presbyterian church in South Trenton-that on the 7th of February 1843, they received the Rev. Charles F. Worrel from the Presbytery of Newton-and on the same day licensed Mr. Williams H. Hornblower to preach the gospel-that on the 28th of February they received

the church of Manchester under their care from the Presbytery of Brooklyn, and on the same day, ordained Mr. William E. Schenk to the work of the gospel ministry and installed him pastor of the church of Manchester-that on the same day they licensed Mr. George W. Thatcher to preach the gospel. that on the 9th of March they installed the Rev. Charles F. Worrol pastor of the 2nd church of Upper Freehold-that on the 18th of March, they dismissed Mr. John G. Howell a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Carlisle-that on the 28th of April, they received the Rev. Robert Davidson D. D. from the Presbytery of West Lexington and the Rev. Daniel Deruelle, from the Presbytery of Washington-that on the same day they dismissed Mr. Jesse Edwards a licentiate, to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Steuben and Mr. Horace Beach a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Louisiana-that on the 26th of April, they licensed Messrs. Giles Manevaring, F. W. Larkin, Alfred Paul and Daniel Johnson to preach the gospel-that on the same day they dismissed Mr. Charles E. Ford, a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of West Jersey,-that on the 4th of May, they installed the Rev. Robert Davidson D. D., pastor of the church in the city of New Brunswick-that on the 21st of May, they installed the Rev. Daniel Deruelle, pastor of the church at South Trenton.-that on the 25th of July, they dismissed Mr. George W. Thatcher, a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Albany-that on the 3d of August, they dismissed Mr. William A. Smith, a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Hulenberg-that on the 3d of October they dismissed Mr. John Miller, a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Baltimore, and Mr. John D. Meck a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Hulenberg-and that on the 4th of October they licensed Messrs. Hugh A. Brown, and Archibald M. Moran to preach the gospel.

All which is respectfully submitted.
By order of Presbytery.
WLI F. COOLEY, Stated Clerk.

3. The Presbytery of Heston report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 28 Ministers, and have under their care 24 Churches, 1 Licentiate, and 6 Candidates.

The Presbytery also report to the Synod that on the 6th of December 1842, they ordained Mr. James W. Williams to the work of the gospel ministry, and installed him pastor of the church of Oxford- that on the 7th of December they ordained Mr. Thomas Mack to the work of the gospel ministry- and installed him Pastor of the church of Upper Mount Bethel- that on the 16th of February 1843, they dissolved the pastoral relation of the Rev. James Scott to the churches of German Valley and Fox Mill- and that on the same day, they dismissed him to join the classis of Bergen- that on the 7th of March, they ordained Thomas Wilson, (a man of color) to the work of the gospel ministry, as an evangelist to go under the care of the Board of Foreign Missions, as a missionary to Africa- that on the 26th of April they licensed Mr. Thomas Hancock to preach the gospel- that on the 25th of July they ordained Mr. Robert G. Versilve to the work of the gospel ministry and installed him pastor of the church of German Valley- that on the same day they received under their care Mr. John H. Cowley a licentiate from the Presbytery of Elizabethtown, and on the 26th of July ordained him to the work of the gospel ministry and installed him pastor of the church of Wackettstown- that on the 30th of August, they installed the Rev. Daniel B. Condit, Pastor of the church of Millwater Ist- that on the 10th of October they ordained Mr. John M. Lowrie to the work of the gospel ministry and installed him pastor of the churches of Knowlton and Blairstown- that on the 15th of October they received the Rev. Isaac S. Davison from the Presbytery of West Jersey, and on the same day dismissed Mr. Peter Van Natta- a licentiate to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of New Lisbon.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of Presbytery.

J. GRAY, Stated Clerk.

4. The Presbytery of Susquehanna report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 11 Ministers, and have under their care 14 Churches, 1 Licentiate, and 2 Candidates.

The Presbytery further report that on the 1st of February 1843, they received the Rev. John Goals from the classis of Cayuga-that on the 2nd of February they received under their care Mr. Aaron B. Winfield, a licentiate from the classis of Orange-that on the 5th of February, they ordained Mr. Aaron B. Winfield to the work of the gospel ministry and installed him pastor of the church of Friendsville-that on the 10th of August, they received the Rev. Thomas P. Hunt from the Presbytery of Fayetteville and the Rev. Owen Brown from the Presbytery of Caledonia-that on the 31st of August, they dismissed the Rev. Thomas P. Hunt to join the Presbytery of Luzerne-that on the 6th of September they erased the name of the Rev. Daniel Jones from their roll, he having renounced our authority and declared himself independent with the expressed intention of joining the congregational Welsh Association of Pennsylvania-and that on the same day they dissolved the pastoral relation of the Rev. George Printz to the church of Wyalusing.

All which is respectfully submitted.

By order of Presbytery,

JULIUS FOSTER, Stated Clerk.

5. The Presbytery of Brittan report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 10 Ministers, and have under their care 12 Churches.

The Presbytery further report that on the 20th of October 1842, they ordained Mr. Edward P. Brooks, a licentiate under their care, to the work of the gospel ministry, as an Evangelist-that on the 15th of November, they dissolved the pastoral relation of the Rev. Jonathon F. Sherwood to the church of Kingwood, with a view to his devoting the whole of his pastoral attention to the church of Wilford-that on the 18th of April 1843, they took back the certificate of dismissal which they had given to the Rev. William Riddle to the Presbytery of Hudson and enrolled his name again as a member of their own

body-that on the 6th of June, they installed the Rev. Holloway W. Hunt Jr., pastor of the church in Lower German Valley for one half of his time-that on the 5d of October, they received the Rev. Samuel F. Porter from the Presbytery of Wooster, and on the same day dismissed the Rev. William Riddle to join the Presbytery of Beaver.

All which is respectfully submitted.
By order of Presbytery.
PETER O. CROSBY, Stated Clerk.

6. The Presbytery of West Jersey report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 12 Ministers, and have under their care 15 Churches, and 8 Candidates.

And the Presbytery further report that on the 19th of April 1843, they received the Rev. John Burt from the Presbytery of Cincinnati, and on the same day licensed Mr. Daniel L. Hughes to preach the gospel-that on the 20rd of June, the Rev. Samuel Davis Blythe, pastor of the church of Woodbury was removed by death-that on the 5th of July, they received Mr. Charles T. Ford a licentiate from the Presbytery of New Brunswick, and on the 18th of the same month, ordained him to the work of the gospel ministry and installed him Pastor of the church of Williamstown-that on the 3d of October they dismissed the Rev. Isaac G. Davison to join the Presbytery of Newton, and on the same day dismissed Mr. Daniel L. Hughes to put himself under the care of the Presbytery of Huntington.

By order of Presbytery.
SAMUEL BEACH, Stated Clerk.

7. The Presbytery of Luzerne report to the Synod of New Jersey that they consist of 7 Ministers, and have under their care 11 Churches, 3 Licentiates and 2 Candidates.

The Presbytery further report that pursuant to the directions of the General Assembly (Printed minutes of 1843, page 195) they met on the 19th day of September and organized-that on the same day they received the Rev. Thomas P. Hunt from

the Presbytery of Susquehanna and the Rev. Aaron H. Vand
from the Presbytery of Flint River-that on the 20th of
September, they received Mr. John V. Dittenhouse, a li-
centiate from the Presbytery of Northumberland-and on the same
day received the Rev. William Tunting from the Presbytery of
Long Island.

By order of Presbytery.
RICHARD B. BROWN, Stated Clerk.

